

## **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR COLLABORATIVE DEVELOPMENT ENVIRONMENTS**

### **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A method and system for collaborative development environments  
5 allows members of a team which are physically separated to effectively work  
together. A Collaborative Development Environment (CDE) as a virtual space  
wherein all the stakeholders of a project – even if distributed by time or  
distance – may negotiate, brainstorm, discuss, share knowledge, and generally  
labor together to carry out some task, most often to create an executable  
10 deliverable and its supporting artifacts. The CDE allows people to interact  
with each other without shifting applications or transitioning to a different  
user interface, and the CDE encourages solving problems as they arise rather  
than waiting until the problem grows. The CDE may encompass a large  
variety of resources that range from role players and information items to tasks  
15 and development artifacts, but only those resources are relevant to a user's  
task at hand are presented.